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The Honorable Jim Moody House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Moody:

Thank you for your letter of 21 September 1984 in which you and nine other Members of the House of Representatives expressed concern about reports of abductions by armed Nicaraguan opposition forces.

Let me assure you that this Agency neither participated in nor countenanced the MISURASATA's kidnapping of Mr. Ray Hooker and Miss Patricia Delgado. The Central Intelligence Agency does not condone such acts against the civilian populace.

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence has been interested in the plight of Mr. Hooker and Miss Delgado, and this Agency has been continually providing such information as has come to our knowledge to that Committee. In accordance with procedures established by the Congress, I am required to respectfully refer you to the Oversight Committee.

This letter is also being provided to Congressmen John F. Seiberling, Mervyn M. Dymally, Berkley Bedell, William J. Hughes, David E. Bonior, Ted Weiss, Robert W. Kastenmeier, Robert Garcia and Les Aspin.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

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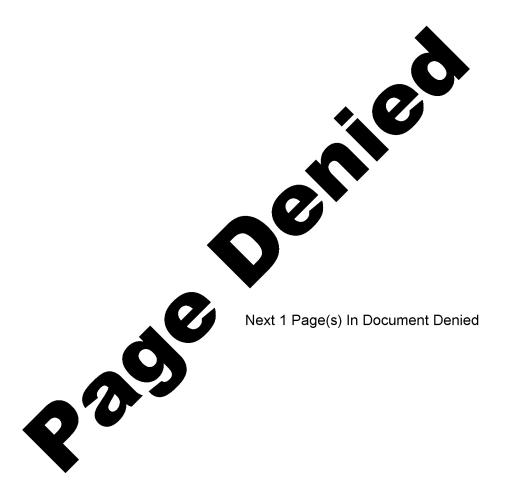
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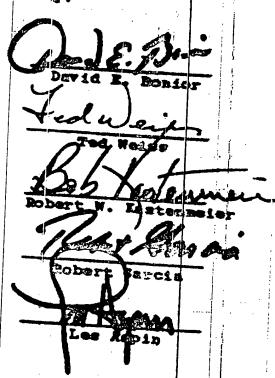
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